

request for Office of Management and Budget approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

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BLM Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Meeting of the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center Advisory Board

AGENCY: National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center, Vale District, Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is given that a meeting of the Advisory Board for the National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center will be held on Tuesday, January 9, 2001 from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the Conference Room at the Baker County Library, 2400 Resort Street, Baker City, Oregon. Public comments will be received from 11 a.m. to 11:15 a.m., January 9, 2001. Topics to be discussed are the review and approval of the updated Strategic Plan, reports from Coordinators of Subcommittees, and the development of Action Plan and Recommendations for FY2001-2002.

DATES: The meeting will begin at 8 a.m. and run to 12 p.m. January 9, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David B. Hunsaker, Bureau of Land Management, National Historic Oregon Trail, Interpretive Center, P.O. Box 987, Baker City, OR 97814, (Telephone 541-523-1845).

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Alaska Resource Advisory Council Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

SUMMARY: The BLM Alaska Resource Advisory Council will conduct an open meeting Thursday, January 11, 2001, from 9:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. and Friday, January 12, 2001, from 8:30 a.m.

until 3 p.m. The meeting will be held at the BLM Northern Field Office, 1150 University Avenue, Fairbanks, Alaska.

The primary agenda item for this meeting is to review draft resource management standards for BLM public lands in Alaska and to take public comment on this draft from 1 to 3 p.m. Thursday, January 11, 2001. The draft standards are standards are available for public review and comment at www.ak.blm.gov or call (907) 271-5555 to request a copy. Both oral and written comments will be taken at the meeting, or written comments may be mailed to BLM at the address below.

ADDRESSES: Inquiries or comments should be sent to External Affairs, Bureau of Land Management, 222 W. 7th Avenue, #13, Anchorage, AK 99513-7599.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Teresa McPherson, (907) 271-5555.

Francis R. Cherry, Jr.,

Acting State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Minerals Management Service

Request for Comments on the Preparation of a New 5-Year Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Oil and Gas Leasing Program for 2002-2007; and Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed 5-Year Program

SUMMARY: Section 18 of the OCS Lands Act (43 USC 1344) requires the Department of the Interior to solicit information from interested and affected parties during the preparation of a 5-year OCS oil and gas leasing program. The current 5-year program covers the period July 1997 to July 2002. The Minerals Management Service (MMS) intends to prepare a new 5-year program for 2002-2007 to succeed the current one.

The MMS is starting the program preparation process at this time because section 18 requires completion of a lengthy, multi-step process of consultation and analysis before the Secretary of the Interior may approve a new 5-year program. The section 18 process includes the following required steps: this solicitation of comments; development of a draft proposed program, a proposed program, and a proposed final program; and Secretarial approval. The MMS also will prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) that analyzes the alternatives considered

for the new 5-year program. This notice announces the start of the EIS preparation process. The MMS will consider comments received in response to this notice in developing the draft proposed program and in determining the scope of the EIS.

DATES: The MMS must receive all comments and information by February 1, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Mail comments and information to: 5-Year Program Manager, Minerals Management Service (MS-4400), Room 2324, 381 Elden Street, Herndon, Virginia 20170. The MMS will accept hand deliveries at 1849 C Street, N.W., Room 4230, Washington, D.C. Please label your comments and the packaging in which they are submitted as to subject matter: mark those pertaining to program preparation, "Comments on Preparation of the 5-Year Program for 2002-2007; and mark those pertaining to EIS preparation, "Scoping Comments on the EIS for the 5-Year Program for 2002-2007." If you submit any privileged or proprietary information to be treated as confidential, please mark the envelope, "Contains Confidential Information."

The MMS will accept comments submitted by electronic mail. Send your comments on the preparation of the program to MMS5-year.document@mms.gov and your comments concerning the scope of the EIS to MMS5-year.eis@mms.gov. We also will provide access to information concerning the 5-year program and EIS, including copies of comments we receive in response to this notice, at the MMS internet website (www.mms.gov).

Public Comment Procedure

Our practice is to make comments, including the names and home addresses of respondents, available for public review. An individual commenter may ask that we withhold his or her name, home address, or both from the public record, and we will honor such a request to the extent allowable by law. If you submit comments and wish us to withhold such information, you must state so prominently at the beginning of your submission.

We will not consider anonymous comments, and we will make available for inspection in their entirety all comments submitted by organizations and businesses or by individuals identifying themselves as representatives of organizations and businesses.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ralph Ainger, 5-Year Program Manager, at (703) 787-1215.